

CHAPTER 93

**PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS**

**HOUSE BILL 19-1035**

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**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE FLEXIBILITY TO SET FEES FOR ELECTRICAL INSPECTIONS THAT ARE NOT CONDUCTED BY THE STATE.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-23-117, **amend** (2) as follows:

**12-23-117. Permit fees.** (2) (a) ~~Because electrical inspections are matters of statewide concern,~~ The maximum ~~fees~~ FEE, established annually, chargeable for electrical inspections by any city, town, county, city and county, or qualified state institution of higher education ~~shall~~ MUST not be more than ~~fifteen percent above those provided for in this section, and no such~~ ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS, AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY, STARTING JANUARY 1, 2021, BASED ON THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR ALL ITEMS PAID BY ALL URBAN CONSUMERS, OR ITS APPLICABLE PREDECESSOR OR SUCCESSOR INDEX. **ADDITIONALLY, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2) OR A QUALIFIED STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY ADJUST THE FEE BY IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL TIERED CHARGE BASED ON SIZE OR VALUATION OF THE IMPROVEMENT AND A MULTIPLIER OF EIGHT PERCENT OF THE FEE. NEITHER A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2) NOR A QUALIFIED STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL IMPOSE OR COLLECT ANY OTHER FEE OR CHARGE RELATED TO ELECTRICAL INSPECTIONS OR PERMITS.**

(b) A qualified state institution of higher education may choose not to require fees as part of the permitting process. A documented permitting and inspection system must be instituted by each qualified state institution of higher education as a tracking system that is available to the board for the purpose of investigating any

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alleged violation of this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 23. The permitting and inspection system must include information specifying the project, the name of the inspector, the date of the inspection, the job-site address, the scope of the project, the type of the inspection, the result of the inspection, the reason and applicable code sections for partially passed or failed inspections, and the names of the contractors on the project who are subject to inspection.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-115-121, **amend as relocated by House Bill 19-1172 (2)** as follows:

**12-115-121. Inspection fees.** (2) (a) ~~Because electrical inspections are matters of statewide concern,~~ The maximum ~~fees~~ FEE, established annually, chargeable for electrical inspections by any city, town, county, city and county, or qualified state institution of higher education shall not be more than ~~fifteen percent above those provided for in this section, and no such~~ ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS, AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY, STARTING JANUARY 1, 2021, BASED ON THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR ALL ITEMS PAID BY ALL URBAN CONSUMERS, OR ITS APPLICABLE PREDECESSOR OR SUCCESSOR INDEX. ADDITIONALLY, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2) OR A QUALIFIED STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY ADJUST THE FEE BY IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL TIERED CHARGE BASED ON SIZE OR VALUATION OF THE IMPROVEMENT AND A MULTIPLIER OF EIGHT PERCENT OF THE FEE. NEITHER A local government ~~or~~ DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2) NOR A qualified state institution of higher education shall impose or collect any other fee or charge related to electrical inspections or permits.

(b) A qualified state institution of higher education may choose not to require fees as part of the permitting process. A documented permitting and inspection system must be instituted by each qualified state institution of higher education as a tracking system that is available to the board for the purpose of investigating any alleged violation of this article 115. The permitting and inspection system must include information specifying the project, the name of the inspector, the date of the inspection, the job-site address, the scope of the project, the type of the inspection, the result of the inspection, the reason and applicable code sections for partially passed or failed inspections, and the names of the contractors on the project who are subject to inspection.

**SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section, this act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

(2) Section 2 of this act takes effect only if House Bill 19-1172 becomes law, in which case section 2 takes effect October 1, 2019.

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